

PATENT  
450101-03210

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s) : Tetsujiro KONDO et al.  
Serial No. : 10/030,591  
For : DATA PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHOD  
AND RECORDING MEDIUM  
Filed : June 3, 2002  
Examiner : Amir Alavi  
Art Unit : 2621

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**Mail Stop Amendment**  
**Commissioner for Patents**  
**P.O. Box 1450**  
**Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.  
 The fee has been calculated as shown below.  
 This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown in parentheses apply.

**Claims as Amended**

(1)	(2) Claims remaining after amendment	(3)	(4) Highest number previously paid for	(5) Present extra	(6) Rate	(7) Additional Fee
Total claims	132	Minus	** =132	* 0 x	\$50 (25)	= \$ 0
Independent claims	33	Minus	*** =33	* 0 x	\$200 (100)	= \$ 0
Total additional fee for this amendment						\$ 0

\* If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5.

\*\* If the highest number of total claims previously paid for is less than 20, write "20" in this space.

\*\*\* If the highest number of independent claims previously paid for is less than 3, write "3" in this space.

This application contains a multiple dependent claim. The required fee of \$360(180) has been previously paid  or is paid herewith .

This response is being filed within the \_\_\_\_\_ month following the expiration of the term originally set therefor. This is a petition to request a \_\_\_\_\_ month extension of time. A check covering the cost of the petition is enclosed.

A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is attached, which covers the cost of  additional claims \_\_\_\_\_ petition for extension of time.

Charge \$\_\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

Please charge any additional fees incurred by reason of this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

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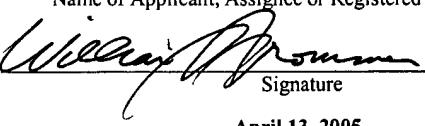
Respectfully submitted,

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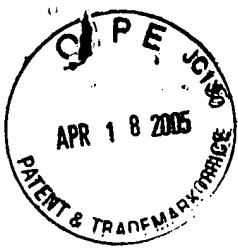
  
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated March 17, 2005, wherein restriction was required as follows:

Group I claims 1-13, 25-39, 54-67 and 100-113, directed to what the Examiner stated is "details of decoding;"

Group II claims 14-24, 52-53, 68-79, 91-99 and 114-125, directed to what the Examiner stated is "minimizing errors;"

Group III claims 40-51, directed to what the Examiner stated is "utilization of learning systems;"

Group IV claims 80-90, directed to what the Examiner stated is "classification;" and

Group V claims 126-132, directed to what the Examiner stated is "correlation processing."

While Applicants do not agree with the characterization of the Examiner's requirement, nevertheless, Applicants elect, **without traverse**, Group I claims 1-13, 25-39, 54-67 and 100-113 for further prosecution in the present application.

Applicants reserve their right to file one or more divisional applications to re-present nonelected claims 14-24, 40-53, 68-99 and 114-132.

An early examination on the merits of the elected claims is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,  
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